

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-36. (Cancelled)

37. (Currently amended) A method for responding to one of a plurality of email messages within an email thread, comprising:

providing the email thread in a document;

simultaneously providing a plurality of reply mechanisms, each reply mechanism corresponding to one of the plurality of email messages;

detecting a user selection of one of the reply mechanisms; and

providing a reply form within the document for inputting a response message.

38. (Original) The method of claim 37, wherein each of the plurality of email messages is associated with at least one reply mechanism.

39. (Original) The method of claim 37 wherein the reply mechanism comprises a reply link.

40. (Original) The method of claim 37 wherein the reply mechanism comprises a minimized reply form.

41. (Original) The method of claim 40 wherein a text box of the minimized reply form is expanded in response to a user selection of the minimized reply form.

42. (Original) The method of claim 37, wherein the reply form is provided below the email message associated with the selected reply mechanism.

43. (New) A graphical user interface on a computer, comprising:
a web mail reply form that includes:
one or more address fields;
an input area for inputting a reply message; and

a plurality of response options selectable by a user;
wherein, in response to selection of a response option by a user, one or more of the address fields in the reply form are changed while maintaining the reply message in the input area.

44. (New) The graphical user interface of claim 43, wherein the one or more of the address fields in the reply form are changed without requesting a new reply form.

45. (New) A computer-implemented method, comprising: at a computer,
displaying a web mail reply form that includes:
one or more address fields;
a text input area with a reply message input by a user of the computer;
a plurality of response options selectable by the user; and
in response to selection of a response option by the user, changing one or more of the address fields in the reply form while maintaining the reply message.

46. (New) The method of claim 45, wherein the one or more of the address fields in the reply form are changed without requesting a new reply form.

47. (New) A computer, wherein the computer is configured to:
display a web mail reply form that includes:
one or more address fields;
a text input area with a reply message input by a user of the computer;
a plurality of response options selectable by the user; and
in response to selection of a response option by the user, change one or more of the address fields in the reply form while maintaining the reply message.

48. (New) The computer of claim 48, wherein the one or more of the address fields in the reply form are changed without requesting a new reply form.

49. (New) A computer-program product, comprising:

a computer readable storage medium and a computer program mechanism embedded therein, the computer program mechanism comprising instructions, which when executed by a computer, cause the computer to:

display a web mail reply form that includes:

one or more address fields;

a text input area with a reply message input by a user of the computer;

a plurality of response options selectable by the user; and

in response to selection of a response option by the user, change one or more of the address fields in the reply form while maintaining the reply message.

50. (New) A computer, comprising:

means for displaying a web mail reply form that includes:

one or more address fields;

a text input area with a reply message input by a user of the computer;

a plurality of response options selectable by the user; and

in response to selection of a response option by the user, means for changing one or more of the address fields in the reply form while maintaining the reply message.